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VIRGINIA GAZETTE.

With the freſheſt Advices, Foreign and Domeſtic.

ENTERTAINMENT.

Redditum Cyri ſolio Phraaten,
Diſſidens plebi, numero beatorum
Eximit virtus: populumque falſis
Dedocet uti
Vocibus. HOR.

IN the Reign of *Jenghiz Can*, Conqueror of the Eaſt, in the City of *Samarcand*, lived *Nouradin* the Merchant, renowned throughout all the Regions of *India* for the Extent of his Commerce, and the Integrity of his Dealings. His Warehouſes were filled with all the Commodities of the remoteſt Nations; every Rarity of Nature, every Curioſity of Art, whatever was valuable, whatever was uſeful, haſted to his Hand. The Streets were crouded with his Carriages; the Sea was covered with his Ships; the Streams of *Oxus* were wearied with Conveyance, and every Breeze of the Sky wafted Wealth to *Nouradin*.

At length *Nouradin* felt himſelf ſeized with a ſlow Malady, which he firſt endeavoured to divert by Application, and afterwards to relieve by Luxury and Indulgence; but finding his Strength every Day leſs, he was at laſt terrified, and called for Help upon the Sages of Phyſick; they filled his Apartments with Alexipharmicks, Reſtoratives, and eſſential Virtues; the Pearls of the Ocean were diſſolved, the Spices of *Arabia* were diſtilled, and all the Powers of Nature were employed, to give new Spirits to his Nerves, and new Balſam to his Blood. *Nouradin* was for ſome Time amuſed with Promiſes, invigorated with Cordials, or ſoothed with Anodynes; but the Diſeaſe preyed upon his Vitals, and he ſoon diſcovered with Indignation, that Health was not to be bought. He was confined to his Chamber, deſerted by his Phyſicians, and rarely viſited by his Friends; but his Unwillingneſs to die flattered him long with Hopes of Life.

At length, having paſſed the Night in tedious Languor, he called to him *Almamoulin*, his only Son; and, diſmiſſing his Attendants, "My Son," ſaid he, "beſtold here the Weakneſs and Fragility of Man; look back-"ward a few Days, thy Father was great and happy, freſh as the vernal "Roſe, and ſtrong as the Cedar of the Mountain; the Nations of *Aſia* "drank his Dews, and Art and Commerce delighted in his Shade. Ma-"levolence beheld me, and ſighed: His Root, ſhe cried, is fixed in the "Depths; it is watered by the Fountains of *Oxus*; it ſends out Branches "afar, and bids Defiance to the Blaſt; Prudence reclines againſt his "Trunk, and Proſperity dances on his Top. Now, *Almamoulin*, look "upon me, withering and proſtrate; look upon me and attend. I "have trafficked, I have proſpered, I have rioted in Gain; my Houſe "is ſplendid, my Servants are numerous; yet I diſplayed only a "ſmall Part of my Riches; the reſt, which I was hindered from "enjoying by the Fear of raiſing Envy, or tempting Rapacity, I "have piled in Towers, I have buried in Caverns, I have hidden in "ſecret Repoſitories, which this Scroll will diſcover. My Purpoſe was, "after ten Months more ſpent in Commerce, to have withdrawn my "Wealth to a ſafer Country; to have given ſeven Years to Delight and "Feſtivity, and the remaining Part of my Days to Solitude and Repen-"tance; but the Hand of Death is upon me; a frigorifick Torpor en-"croaches upon my Veins; I am now leaving the Produce of my Toil, "which it muſt be thy Buſineſs to enjoy with Wiſdom." The Thought of leaving his Wealth filled *Nouradin* with ſuch Grief, that he fell into Convulſions, became delirious, and expired.

Almamoulin, who loved his Father, was touched a while with honeſt Sorrow, and ſat two Hours in profound Meditation, without peruſing the Paper which he held in his Hand. He then retired to his own Chamber, overborn with Affliction, and there read the Inventory of his new Poſſeſſions, which ſwelled his Heart with ſuch Tranſports, that he no longer lamented his Father's Death. He was now ſufficiently compoſed to order a Funeral of modeſt Magnificence, ſuitable at once to the Rank of *Nouradin*'s Profeſſion, and the Reputation of his Wealth. The two next Nights he ſpent in viſiting the Tower and the Caverns, and found the Treaſures greater to his Eye than to his Imagination.

Almamoulin had been bred to the Practice of exact Frugality, and had often looked with Envy on the Finery and Expences of other young Men: He therefore believed, that Happineſs was now in his Power, ſince he could obtain all of which he had hitherto been accuſtomed to regret the Want. He reſolved to give a Looſe to his Deſires, to revel in Enjoyment, and feel Pain or Uneaſineſs no more.

He immediately procured a ſplendid Equipage, dreſſed his Servants in rich Embroidery, and covered his Horſes with golden Capariſons. He ſhowered down Silver on the Populace, and ſuffered their Acclamations to ſwell him with Inſolence. The Nobles ſaw him with Anger, the wiſe Men of the State combined againſt him, the Leaders of Armies threatened his Deſtruction. *Almamoulin* was informed of his Danger: He put on the Robe of Mourning in the Preſence of his Enemies, and appeaſed them with Gold, and Gems, and Supplication.

He then ſought to ſtrengthen himſelf, by an Alliance with the Princes of *Tartary*, and offered the Price of Kingdoms, for a Wife of noble Birth. His Suit was generally rejected, and his Preſents refuſed; but a Princeſs of *Aſtracan* once condeſcended to admit him to her Preſence. She received him ſitting on a Throne, attired in Robe of Royalty, and ſhining with the Jewels of *Golconda*; Command ſparkled in her Eyes, and Dignity towered on her Forehead. *Almamoulin* approached and trembled. She ſaw his Confuſion, and diſdained him: How, ſays ſhe, dares the Wretch hope my Obedience, who thus ſhrinks at my Glance? Retire, and enjoy thy Riches in ſordid Oſtentation; thou waſt born to be wealthy, but never canſt be great.

He then contracted his Deſires to more private and domeſtick Pleaſures. He built Palaces, he laid out Gardens, he changed the Face of the Land, he tranſplanted Foreſts, he levelled Mountains, opened Proſpects into diſtant Regions, poured Fountains from the Tops of Turrets, and rolled Rivers through new Chanels.

Theſe Amuſements pleaſed him for a Time; but Languor and Wearineſs ſoon invaded him. His Bowers loſt their Fragrance, and the Waters murmured without Notice. He purchaſed large Tracts of Land in diſtant Provinces, adorned them with Houſes of Pleaſure, and diverſified them with Accommodations for different Seaſons. Change of Place at firſt relieved his Satiety, but all the Novelties of Situation were ſoon exhauſted; he found his Heart vacant, and his Deſires, for Want of external Objects, ravaging himſelf.

He therefore returned to *Samarcand*, and ſet open his Doors to thoſe whom Idleneſs ſends out in Search of Peaſure. His Tables were always covered with Delicacies; Wines of every Vintage ſparkled in his Bowels, and his Lamps ſcattered Perfumes. The Sound of the Lute, and the Voice of the Singer, chaſed away Sadneſs; every Hour was crouded with Pleaſure; and the Day ended and began with Feaſts and Dances, and Revelry and Merriment, *Almamoulin* cried out, "I have at laſt found the "Uſe of Riches; I am ſurrounded by Companions, who view my Great-"neſs without Envy; and I enjoy at once the Raptures of Popularity, "and the Safety of an obſcure Station. What Trouble can he feel, "whom all are ſtudious to pleaſe, that they may be repaid with "Pleaſure? What Danger can he dread, to whom every Man is a "Friend?"

Such were the Thoughts of *Almamoulin*, as he looked down from a Gallery upon the gay Aſſembly, regaling at his Expence; but in the Midſt of this Soliloquy, an Officer of Juſtice entered the Houſe, and, in the Form of legal Citation, ſummoned *Almamoulin* to appear before the Emperor. The Gueſts ſtood a while aghaſt, then ſtole imperceptible away, and he was led off without a ſingle Voice to witneſs his Integrity. He now found one of his moſt frequent Viſitants, accuſing him of Treaſon in Hopes of ſharing his Confiſcation; yet, unpatronized and unſupported, he cleared himſelf by the Openneſs of Innocence, and the Conſiſtence of Truth; he was diſmiſſed with Honour, and his Accuſer periſhed in Priſon.

Almamoulin now perceived with how little Reaſon he had hoped for Juſtice or Fidelity from thoſe who lived only to gratify their Senſes; and, being now weary with vain Experiments upon Life and fruitleſs Searches after Felicity, he had Recourſe to a Sage, who, after ſpending his Youth in Travel and Obſervation, had retired from all human Cares, to a ſmall Habitation on the Banks of *Oxus*, where he converſed only with ſuch as ſolicited his Counſel. "Brother," ſaid the Philoſopher, "thou haſt ſuf-"fered thy Reaſon to be deluded by idle Hopes, and fallacious Appea-"rances. Having long looked with Deſire upon Riches, thou haſt taught "thyſelf to think them more valuable than Nature deſigned them, and "to expect from them, what Experience has now taught thee, that they "cannot give. That they do not confer Wiſdom, thou mayſt be con-"vinced by conſidering at how dear a Price they tempted thee, upon thy "firſt Entrance into the World, to purchaſe the empty Sound of vulgar "Acclamation. That they cannot beſtow Fortitude or Magnanimity, that "Man may be certain, who ſtood trembling at *Aſtracan*, before a Being "not naturally ſuperior to himſelf. That they will not ſupply unexhauſted "Pleaſure, the Recollection of forſaken Palaces, and neglected Gardens, "will eaſily inform thee. That they rarely purchaſe Friends, thou didſt "ſoon diſcover, when thou wert left to ſtand thy Trial uncountenanced "and alone. Yet think not Riches uſeleſs; there are Purpoſes, to which "a wiſe Man may be delighted to apply them; they may, by a rational "Diſtribution to thoſe who want them, eaſe the Pains of helpleſs Diſeaſe, "ſtill the Throbs of reſtleſs Anxiety, relieve Innocence from Oppreſſion, "and raiſe Imbecillity to Chearfulneſs and Vigour. This they will enable "thee to perform, and this will afford the only Happineſs ordained for "our preſent State, the Confidence of divine Favour, and the Hope of "future Rewards."

From a late Paper.

MISS Blandy, (whoſe unhappy Caſe is at preſent the Subject of Converſation in moſt Companies) had the Education of a Gentlewoman. She was received as ſuch in the Country where ſhe lived; and her Behaviour and Converſation was ſo agreeable, that Ladies of great Rank and Faſhion were fond and deſirous of her Acquaintance. She was amiable, ſpritely, and extremely good humoured; and was eſteemed as one of the principal Ornaments of the polite Aſſembly at Reading.

Such

Such was her Demeanour in general. To her Father, she was an affectionate, dutiful, respectful Child. This many Witnesses swore at her Trial. This the Witnesses against her confessed,

'Til at the last, a cruel Spoiler came.

'Till that damned Villain Cranston, as the poor Father so justly called him, returned the kindest Offices of Hospitality by *the Ruin of a poor Love-sick Girl*; by bringing the Father to the Grave, and the Daughter to the Gallows.

Here then is the Cause of all that Tragedy, which hath happened in this little innocent Family; or indeed the total Destruction of a kind and tender Father; of an affectionate and dutiful Daughter. The Villain crept into the unguarded Heart of this thoughtless Girl. There he first infused those poisonous Sentiments, which were afterwards to convey Arsenic into the Veins of the best and tendrest of Fathers.

For this Fact we will leave the condemned Criminal to the Execution of that Sentence, which she hath so justly received from an earthly Judge, and to that Mercy, which, I hope, a sincere Penitence will obtain for her from that most awful, most tremendous Tribunal, where she must so shortly appear.

Let us only cast our Eyes on the Wretch, who hath caused all this, who hath hitherto escaped the Hands of Justice; perhaps to be more exquisitely punished in the State of a profligate abandoned Fugitive; sent like the first Murderer, to wander over the Earth; 'til he shall cry with Cain, *My Punishment is greater than I can bear.*

But I will leave this Wretch likewise to the Horrors of his own Conscience, to Wandering, to Beggary, to Shame, to Contempt. This Letter is designed for the Use of the loveliest, and, I sincerely think, the best Part of the Creation, who seldom stray but when they are misled by Men; by whom they are deceived, corrupted, betrayed, and often *brought to Destruction, both of Body and Soul.* In the Sequel therefore, I will treat in general of these Corrupters of the Innocence of Women; and of the extreme Baseness as well as Cruelty of this Practice, how favourably soever the World may please to receive it.

This base and barbarous Man was, they say, an Officer in the Army; a Sort of People who, I know not for what Reason, live in an eternal State of real Hostility with the female Sex; and seem to think that by destroying our Enemies in War, they contract a Right to destroy our Wives and Daughters in Time of Peace.

I would not be here understood to insinuate that there are many Cranstons to be found in the English Army; on the contrary, I sincerely believe it would be difficult, perhaps impossible, to pick out such another; yet certain it is, that thro' the Prevalence of Custom, the Ruin of a Woman is far from being regarded amongst our military Gentlemen, or indeed amongst others, with that Abhorrence and Detestation which it deserves. It is often made the Subject of Mirth; nay, I am deceived if, instead of being considered on the Man's Side as a Mark of Disgrace, it is not sometimes treated as a Point of Honour, viewed in the Light of a Victory, and thought to add new Lawrels to those which have been acquired in the Field.

The Reason of this, in a great Measure, is the Levity with which this Matter hath been handled by some of our fashionable Authors; who, instead of exposing so execrable a Vice in it's proper odious Colours, have given it the soft Term of Gallantry; have at most endeavoured to make it the Subject of Ridicule; I am afraid have even represented it in an amiable Light to their Readers.

I will endeavour therefore to strip the Monster of all its borrowed Ornaments, and to display it in its native and true Deformity; such as, I think, cannot fail of attracting all that Abhorrence and Contempt which is its Due.

I shall at present pass by all those dissuasive Arguments which Religion affords against this Practice. These are already well known; and if they are not sufficient to deter Men, the Reason is but too obvious as well as deplorable.

But tho' many of my gay Readers may be ready enough to own that they have no Faith, there are few I believe who will own they have no Honour. If they have a Vanity in desiring to be thought no Christians, they will at least be ashamed of being no Gentlemen.

First then, can any Thing be more dishonourable than to engage in a Combat with one who is greatly inferior in Strength; and this is surely the Case in all our Attacks on the Virtue of Women: For, without any Disparagement to the Understanding of my fair Countrywomen, their Hearts are at least weaker than ours, and it is the Heart of the Woman which is aimed at in all these Engagements.

And in what Manner are these Attacks carried on? Is not the basest Fraud and Treachery constantly used on this Occasion? Doth any Man when he first aims at this Conquest, fairly and openly assert his evil Intentions? Doth he declare War against that Chastity and Honour which he means to violate? On the contrary, doth he not approach with Smiles and Cringes, with Soothing and Flattery, with Protestations, Vows, and Oaths of the tendrest Love and the sincerest Friendship; By these Means, the innocent Heart of a poor thoughtless Girl is in a Manner bribed to betray its Owner into the Arms of her Seducer.

If we consider the Matter therefore in this warlike Light, the Assailant, instead of entitling himself to any Honour by such a Conquest, deserves truly an Appellation which few military Men will affect, namely that of a treacherous Coward.

And what shall we say of this Vice, when thrown under another Allegory, and that too a very familiar one to our fine Gentlemen! What do we say of the Gamester who throws a Levant? who draws another in to play for a large Stake, while he himself deposites nothing real on the other Side? Would not all Men allow such a Person to be a Cheat and a Pickpocket? And what is he who engages a Woman, where her Innocence, Honour, Interest, indeed every Thing valuable of which she is possessed, are at Stake; while he himself plays at the Risque *only of his Damnation*, which all fine Gentlemen will allow to be nothing; or, as some Gamesters call it, MOONSHINE?

In the first Place, let me apply to the Humanity of these Gallants; and this the rather as the Latins often use the Word *Humanitas* for the chief Qualifications of a Gentleman. Now what Man of Humanity (take the Sense of the Word from which Language you please) can bear the Reflection of having by all the Means of Baseness, Falsehood and Treachery, purchased the Affections of a young, innocent, unguarded Creature; of having made this Creature from her Affections to him, the Object of his Pleasure and Delight, and of having repaid those Affections and this Pleasure, by the utter Ruin of such a Creature! Can he bear to see her stript of her Innocence, of her Reputation, of every Thing lovely, every Thing which might have made her happy in herself, or recommended her to others; deserted and abandoned by the whole World, and exposed to Shame, Beggary, Disease, in a Word, to final Misery and Ruin! Can he see all this, and know himself to be the Cause of all this, without hanging himself? If he can, I heartily wish he was, as he well deserves to be, hanged by the Laws.

I am, Sir,
Your sincere Well-wisher,
AXYLUS.

LONDON.

March 7. A young Woman, Servant to Mr. Gregory a Farrier in Grosvernor-meuse, had been for some Time suspected by her Mistress to be with Child, who often asked her if it was so, and advised her to confess it, but she always positively denied it: At length on Friday Afternoon last, she went into the Necessary-House, where she locked herself in, and continued near an Hour and a half: Upon her coming out her Mistress seeing her extremely bad, readily conjectured what was the Cause of her Ailment, and as she obstinately persisted in her Denial, sent for a Midwife to discover the Truth; in the mean Time a Man happening to go into an adjoining House of Office, was frightened upon hearing the Cries of a Child, and alarmed the Neighbourhood by calling out Murder. Assistance immediately came, the Vault was opened, and the poor Infant-boy found with its Head wounded and bleeding, having by falling on some cross Bars escaped dropping into the Soil, where it must have perished. The cruel Mother had cunningly conveyed it out of the Necessary-house where she was delivered into the next, by a Hole which had been observed for some Time to grow gradually larger, and was undoubtedly widened by her for that Purpose. When it was first brought to her she had that Hardness of Heart to look at it in its bloody Condition, seemingly with Unconcern, as if it did not belong to her, but proper Enquiry being made, and every Circumstance concurring against her, she at last owned the Child to be hers, and declared that the Son of a Person in that Neighbourhood was the Father. She continues at her Master's House 'til she recovers some Strength, and the Child is likely to live.

April 14. Ended the Session at the Old Baily, when John Salisbury, for robbing the Turnpikeman at Smallbury Green, Robert Lane for robbing the reverend Mr. Noble on Mount Pleasant, George Hall and George Basset for a Burglary, John Stephens for a Highway Robbery, John Turner for Sheepstealing, and John Knight for Theft in a Dwelling-House, were condemn'd. One was to be transported for fourteen, 29 for seven Years, two branded, three whipped, and thirty one acquitted; Lord Lemster was found guilty of Manslaughter: *It appeared on the Trial that Lord Lemster had at a Masquerade, refused to lend Capt. Grey ten Guineas, with some Rudeness; that Lord Lemster having proposed to Capt. Collingwood to go to Capt. Grey at the Tilt-yard Coffee-House, some Words arose after Supper, and Capt. Grey first violated the Decency of Conversation and gave Lord Lemster the Lie: Lord Lemster then called him Scoundrel, Swords were drawn, but Capt. Collingwood interposing they sat down again, and seemed to be reconciled. That when they parted, there was some whispering between Lord Lemster and Capt. Grey in the Passage, and that next Morning Capt. Grey went to Lord Lemster's Lodgings, and soon after went out with him; that while they were walking in Marybone Fields Capt. Grey suddenly turn'd about, and a Duel ensued, in which Capt. Grey receiv'd a Wound and dropp'd on his Knee, but rising made another Push at his Antagonist, and then fell dead on his Face.* —— Thomas Ashley, Gardener was found guilty of Perjury in swearing for Godard, at his Trial, that he threw the Jew into a Ditch, threw a Stone at him, broke his Head, and thereby caused the Blood to flow, in Contradiction to what the Jew had sworn that his Head was broke by the Persons that robbed him. Several Witnesses deposed that he was at that Time drunk at a distant Place.

April 30. About the latter End of last Month Application was made to Mr. Justice Fielding on the following Case: M. Bertin, Master of the Requests, and Counsellor of the Parliament at Bourdeaux, on some Family Quarrel, had been formerly conveyed from France to Spain, by some of his Relations: There he was afterwards imprison'd, but escaped by the Assistance of Count Marcilac, his Cousin. About three Years ago, he came into England, and lodged privately at one Mrs. Giles's at Marybone, 'til the 27th past, when late at Night, he was arrested by one Alexander Blasdale, a Marshal's Court Officer, who had with him as a Follower, an Italian, a Person before known to the Marquis, upon whose Appearance, he started, and instantly cried out, *I am a dead Man*, and refused to go with the Officer. Mrs. Giles then sent for the Rev. Nicholas Robart, to whom Blasdale shew'd his Writ, which Mr. Robart persuaded the Marquis to obey, and to go with the Officer to his House, whither one M. Dubois accompanied him, intending to stay with him 'til next Morning; but the Marquis and his Friend had not been together half an Hour, before the Italian Follower acquainted M. Dubois that one wanted him, but, on going to see, found only the Bailiff, who roughly told him, that he must not lie there, and in a Manner thrust him out of Doors. On his Return next Morning with some other Friends, they were told by the Maid, that the Marquis was gone thence in Company with several Gentlemen, and that the Bailiff himself was gone out of Town; upon this Relation, a Warrant was granted immediately by the Justice, on a Supposition of Murder; and Application made to the L. C. J. for a *Habeas Corpus*, as well as to the Secretary of State to prevent the carrying the unfortunate Gentleman out of the Kingdom; but all to no Effect, for certain Advice has since been received of his Arrival in France, where the Gates of Calais were open'd for his Admittance after the usual Hour, and he was from thence carried to his Father's House at Paris; but soon after removed by Order of the Court, to the Bastile, to prevent any private Attempts upon his Life. A Subscription however is setting up here, in Order to prosecute all concern'd in this dangerous Violation of our Laws; and it is said a foreign Nobleman is already in the Custody of a King's Messenger for this Offence, where he is so closely confin'd, that no Person is permitted to have Access to him, neither is he allow'd the Use of Pen, Ink, or Paper. The Officer who arrested him is escaped out of the Kingdom.

PHILADELPHIA, *June* 14.

By Capt. Sargeant, lately arrived here from Jamaica, we have the following Depoſition.

Jamaica, ſſ. } APpeared John Sargeant, Maſter, William Thomſon, Mate, David Allen, Boatſwain, James Keroon, A-
March, 1752. } braham Penny, James M'Cann, James Hillard, and John Mailey, Mariners, of the Brigantine Union, of Dublin, who being ſeverally and duly ſworn on the Holy Evangeliſts, depoſe and ſay: That being on a Voyage from the aforeſaid Port of Dublin to the Iſland of Jamaica, on the Twenty-firſt Day of January laſt, One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Fifty-two, they were off the Eaſt End of Porto Rico, South and by Weſt, about ten Leagues Diſtance, when they met with a Spaniſh Sloop, mounted with ten Carriage Guns, and about One Hundred Men, commanded by one Franciſco Panch (who went to them by that Name) who ordered them to bring to, and after boarding and taking Poſſeſſion of the ſaid Brigantine Union, they, in a piratical Manner, broke open her Hatches, and took out of her the following Articles, viz. V B fourteen Barrels of Beef, I E ſix Barrels Beef, B V five Barrels Herrings, S H fifteen Firkins Butter, V B four Boxes Candles, three Boxes ditto, mark'd with a Bunch of Grapes, B V one Keg Tallow, one Barrel Gun-powder, one Barrel Peaſe, one Drum, one Hand-lead and Line, one Deepſea Line, ſix fiſhing Lines, one Log Line and Reel, one Ax, one Adze, one Hand-ſaw, two Files, two Chizels, four Caulking Irons, ſix Gimblets, two Augers, two Lanthorns, one Speaking Trumpet, one Hanging Compaſs, four Half-minute and two Half-hour Glaſſes, one Box of Medicines, I S ten hundred Weight of Cheeſe, one Cheſt of Iriſh Linen, ſix hundred Weight of new Cordage, thirty Yards of Sail Canvas, twelve Pounds of Twine, two Dozen of Needles, two Fiſh Giggs and Lines, two Pump Rakes, ſix Pewter Plates, two Diſhes, ſix Knives and Forks, ſix Pewter Spoons, twelve Yards of Bunting, twelve Yards red Bays, two Pair of Bellows, one Iron Pot, four Wooden Bowls, two Punch Bowls, one thouſand Scupper Nails, one thouſand Pump Nails, twenty Pounds Spike Nails, five hundred Twenty-penny Nails, five hundred Ten-penny Nails, one thouſand Boat Nails, ſix Pump Bolts, two Hammers, one Maul, three Stock Locks, two Dozen Staples, and one Pendant, I S a Silver Watch, I U B three Barrels of Beef, T I four Bundles, Quantity twenty ruffled, and ſeven plain Shirts, and one Piece of Linen Sheeting, about forty Yards. After which they put on Board the ſaid Brigantine Union fifteen Spaniards, and ſent her into the Port of St. Domingo, where they put the Maſter into Confinement, and kept him four Days, and obliged the Mate, and the reſt of the ſaid Brigantine's Company, to quit her, whereby they were obliged to lie on the Streets for ſeveral Nights; and theſe Deponents further depoſe and ſay, That the Spaniards aforeſaid kept Poſſeſſion of the ſaid Brigantine Union thirty ſeven Days, and then diſcharged her, without giving any Reaſons for their ſo keeping and detaining her, nor making any Reſtitution or Satisfaction for any of the aforementioned Goods which they had taken, or for any Damage done to either the Veſſel or her Cargo. They then made the beſt of their Way for the Iſland of Jamaica, where they arrived the fourth Day of this Inſtant March, One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Fifty-two, and further theſe Deponents ſay not,

ANNAPOLIS, in Maryland, May 7.

To the honourable BENJAMIN TASKER, *Eſq; Preſident and Commander in Chief of the Province of* Maryland;

The humble ADDRESS of the Upper Houſe of Aſſembly.

SIR,

WE return you our hearty Thanks, as well for your obliging Speech, at the Opening of this Seſſion, as for giving us this Opportunity of conſidering which of our temporary Laws it is the Intereſt of our Country to continue longer.

We are ſenſible of the Obligations you are under, to promote the Happineſs and Welfare of your native Country; and we are too well acquainted with you, not to know that your own Inclination will be a further Motive to diſcharge the Truſt repoſed in you, with Honour to yourſelf, and the greateſt Regard to the true Intereſt of *Maryland*.

We agree with you, that the beſt Means of averting the ill Conſequences of the great Loſs we have ſuſtained, in the Death of our late moſt worthy Governor (which we ſincerely lament), will be Unanimity and Harmony among ourſelves, in carrying on the Public Buſineſs with Diſpatch, and as little Expence to the Country as poſſible; and we aſſure you, that nothing on our Part ſhall be wanting to that End.

Signed *per* Order, J. Ross, Cl. Up. Ho.

June 5, 1752.

The Preſident's ANSWER.

Gentlemen of the Upper Houſe of Aſſembly,

I *Sincerely thank you for your very obliging Addreſs: Nothing will give me more Pleaſure than to ſee the Buſineſs of the Country ſo happily begun, carried on with Diſpatch, and at as little Expence to the Public as poſſible.*

BENJAMIN TASKER.

To the Honourable BENJAMIN TASKER, *Eſq; Preſident of his Lordſhip's Honourable Council in* MARYLAND, *and Commander in Chief thereof*;

The humble ADDRESS of the Houſe of Delegates of ſaid Province.

May it pleaſe your Honour,

WE his Majeſty's moſt dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Delegates of the Freemen of the ſaid Province, in Aſſembly convened, return your Honour our unfeigned Thanks, for your kind Speech at the Opening of this Seſſion.

It is with much Concern we reflect on the Loſs ſuſtained by this Province, in the Death of our late worthy Governor: But at the ſame Time, it affords us great Satisfaction, that the Adminiſtration of the Government hath devolved upon your Honour, who are certainly under all the Ties of Nature and Intereſt to promote the Happineſs of *Maryland*: And you may be aſſured, that our ready and hearty Concurrence ſhall never be wanting, with every Meaſure that can be deviſed, for the Eaſe and Proſperity of the good People of this Province; which we are under every Obligation of Nature, Intereſt, and Duty, to promote and advance to the utmoſt of our Power.

As we have the ſame Motives to ſuggeſt the Means, and the ſame End to accompliſh, with your Honour, we flatter ourſelves that the Public Buſineſs will be carried on with the utmoſt Harmony, Diſpatch, and as little Expence to the Country, as poſſible.

June 4, 1752. PHILIP HAMMOND, Speaker.

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The Preſident's ANSWER.

Gentlemen of the Lower Houſe of Aſſembly,

I *RETURN you hearty Thanks for your kind Addreſs, and you may be aſſured I ſhall with Pleaſure concur with you, in every Thing in my Power, for the Good and Advantage of this Province.*

BENJA. TASKER.

WILLIAMSBURG, July 17.

This Day the ingenious Mr. THOMAS BELL, *the famous American Traveller*, made his public Appearance in this City.---As his former Character, and romantick Life, have made a great Noiſe in every *American* Colony, 'twill doubtleſs be a Satisfaction to all who have any Knowlege of him, to hear in what Manner he has lived, during his Retirement from the Public.---He has reſided in *Hanover* County, in this Colony, near two Years paſt, in the private Station of a Schoolmaſter, and has, during that Time, behaved himſelf with Juſtice, Sobriety, and good Manners, of which he has produc'd a Certificate, ſign'd by the principal Gentlemen of that County. By this his Behaviour, and his future Conduct, he hopes to wipe off the Odium that his former Manner of Life had fix'd on him, and thereby to approve himſelf a uſeful Member of Society.

Entered Inwards, in *York* River.

July 8. *Duke of Cumberland, George Walker, from James River.*
14. *Elizabeth, Edward Purden, from London.*
14. *Lightfoot, Capt. William Binks, from Spain.*

Cleared Outwards.

July 13. *Kingſton, Thomas Price, for Madeira.*

ADVERTISEMENTS.

THE Ship *Allerton*, belonging to Mr. *John Hardman*, of *Liverpool*, *James Wallace*, Maſter, lying at *Berkeley*, in *James* River, takes in Tobacco at 7 *l. per* Ton, with Liberty of Conſignment. Any Gentlemen inclinable to ſhip, are deſired to ſend their Notes or Orders to Col. *Benjamin Harriſon* at *Berkeley*, Mr. *David Bell* at *Warwick*, Mr. *Robert Craig* at *King-William*, and to the Printer hereof, in *Williamſburg*.

N. B. Any Gentlemen that pleaſe to conſign their Tobaccos to Mr. *Hardman*, may depend on having their Goods, in Return, delivered at the moſt convenient Landings, clear of Charge.

Frederickſburg, June 30, 1752.

ANY Perſons of the Name of *Boyd*, and deſcended from the Family of *Trochbridge*, in the Shire of *Air*, *Scotland*, on applying to the Subſcriber, may hear of ſomething much to their Advantage.

Thomas Macudie.

RAN away from the Subſcriber, living in *Frederickſburg*, about the 20th of *June* laſt, a Convict *Iriſh* Servant Man, named *William Ferrell*; he is about 6 Feet high, ſtrong and well-made, looks very much like a Sailor, wears his Hat cock'd, and a Silk Handkerchief about his Neck; had on when he went away, a Sailors Jacket and Trowſers; carried with him a brown Cloth Veſt without Sleeves, a dark grey Frize Frock, about half worn, a Grizle Wig, and a Scarlet Jacket; he is a Cloathier and Dyer by Trade; has a ſtrong Voice, and gives impertinent Anſwers; he appears to be about 25 Years of Age. Whoever ſecures and brings him to me, ſhall have Two Piſtoles Reward, beſides what the Law allows.

Anthony Strother.

N. B. He's thought to be gone towards *Mobjack* Bay, or *York* River, in a Schooner belonging to Capt. *Garnett*.

Peterſburg, July 25, 1[illegible].

RAN away from the Subſcriber, a Negroe Man, named *Emanuel*, about 25 Years of Age, about 6 Feet 2 Inches high; had on when he went away, a Pair of Shoes with Buckles, no Stockings, a Pair of ſhort brown Cloth Breeches, a check'd Shirt, a dreſs'd Buckſkin Veſt, without Sleeves, he carried with him a Book or two: He lately came from *New-York*, in the Sloop *Henry*, and talks good *Engliſh*; and pretends to talk *Spaniſh*, and to be a *Frenchman*. Whoever ſecures him, ſo that I may have him again, ſhall have Three Piſtoles Reward, and all Charges paid, by

John Brown.

July 23, 1752.

STRAY'D from the Subſcriber's Plantation, in *Dryſdale* Pariſh, *King & Queen* County, a black Mare, with four white Legs, a white Face, branded on the near Shoulder AH in a Piece. There went with her a black Horſe Colt, unbranded, with a Blaze in his Face. Whoever brings the ſaid Mare and Colt to me, ſhall have a Piſtole Reward.

Robert Innis.

Albemarle County, *July* 9, 1752.

TAKEN up by the Subſcriber, living on the Branch of *Slate* River, known by the Name of *Arthur*'s Creek, a light grey Mare, about 4 Feet 3 Inches high, branded on the near Buttock I W. She has a large Bell on. The Owner may have her on proving his Property and paying as the Law directs.

Thomas Blakey.

TAKEN up by the Subſcriber, living in *Weſtmoreland* County, a ſmall Grey Horſe, about 12 Hands high, branded on the near Buttock H. Alſo a dark grey Horſe, near 14 Hands hight branded on the near Shoulder T, and on the near Buttock W. They have been poſted and appraiſed according to Law. The Owner may have them of me, on proving his Property, and paying as the Law directs.

Nathaniel Jackſon.

TAKEN up by the Subſcriber, living in *Spotſylvania* County, on the 26th of *Feb.* laſt, a ſmall Bay Horſe, with a white Spot on his Shoulder, one white Foot, and branded on the ſhoulder and Buttock M. The Owner may have him of me, on proving his Property and paying as the Law directs.

Joon Chew.

June 15, 1752.

TAKEN up by the Subſcriber at his Plantation in *Brunſwick* County, poſted and appraiſed according to Law, a black Gelding, with a Blaze in his Face, unbroke, ſuppoſed to be two Years old, about 13 Hands high, dock'd, but not branded, paces naturally. The Owner may have him of me, living in *Surry* County, near *Hog-Iſland*, on proving his Property, and paying as the Law directs.

Henry Seward.

To be SOLD, at very reaſonable Rates, by the Subſcribers, in Williamſburg,

A CHOICE Aſſortment of Silks, conſiſting of *India* Damaſks, Grogroons, *China* Taffety, *Tobine* Luteſtrings, white pealing Sattin, and *Engliſh* Perſian; alſo fine *Flanders* Lace, Cambricks, clear, long, and printed Lawns, white and printed Callicoes, Muſlins, Gulix, and Bag-Hollands, fine Tabby Stays, Girls Hoops, Gloves, Velvet and Silk laced Bonnets, Hair Hats, Womens Calimanco and Silk and Childrens *Morocco* Shoes, and all Sorts of Milinary Goods, fine Green Teas, and a great Variety of Fans and Mounts. As all theſe Goods are of the beſt Kind, and at the loweſt Prices, we hope thoſe who have favoured us with their Cuſtom will not take amiſs our dealing for ready Money only.

Frances and John Pearſon Webb.

THE

THE Subſcriber takes this Opportunity of informing Gentlemen, and Others, That he propoſes to teach Military Diſcipline, according to the new Way of Generals *Bland* and *Blakeney*. The beſt Inſtructions and Attendance will be given, by

Their humble Servant,

Simon Fraſer.

N. B. He will teach in either Town or Country, and is to be met with at Mr. *Finnie's*, in *Williamſburg*.

Hanover *County*, July 8, 1752.

STRAY'D *from the Subſcriber, a large Roan Horſe, branded on the Buttock* ID. *Whoever brings him to the Printer hereof, or to me, ſhall have a Piſtole Reward.*

John Shelton.

Wincheſter, *June* 27, 1752.

TAKEN up by the Subſcriber, living in *Frederick* County, a Bay Horſe, about 7 Years old, and 14 Hands high, with a ſmall white Stripe down his Face, a Switch Tail buſhy near the Top; he is a natural Pacer, and has no Brand. The Owner may have him of me, on proving his Property and paying as the Law directs.

Andrew Bears.

RAN away from the Subſcriber, living in *Fredericksburg*, on the 9th Day of *June* laſt, a Convict Servant Woman, named *Elizabeth Watſon*, alias *Elizabeth Stewart*, about 40 Years of Age, though ſays ſhe's not above 32, and that ſhe has had 14 Children; ſhe is a ſhort thick down-looking Woman, born in *Ireland*, tho' may pretend to be born in St. *Andrews*, *Holburn*, or other Parts of *London*; had on when ſhe went away, a brown Camblet Gown, a blue quilted Petticoat. Whoever will apprehend and ſecure her, ſo that ſhe may be had again, ſhall have half a Piſtole Reward, beſides what the Law allows, paid by

Charles Julian.

TAKEN up by the Subſcriber, at his Plantation in *Prince-William* County, a black Steer, mark'd with a Crop and a Slit in the right Ear, and a Crop and a Hole in the left. The Owner may have him of me, on proving his Property and paying as the Law directs.

John Buchannan.

July 6, 1752.

TAKEN up by the Subſcriber, on *Sappony* Creek, in *Dinwiddie* County, a ſmall Bay Mare, about 12 Hands and a half high, with a hanging Mane, and Switch Tail, branded on the near Buttock D. The Owner may have her of me, on proving his Property, and paying as the Law directs.

Robert Warren.

Surry County, *June* 22, 1752.

AS I intend to leave the Country ſhortly, I deſire all Perſons indebted to me to come and ſettle and diſcharge the ſame; and all that have any Demands againſt me, are deſired to come and receive their Ballances.

William Clinch.

Williamſburg, *July* 2, 1752.

To be Let, and entered on immediately,

THE Houſes and Lots oppoſite to the *Raleigh* Tavern, lately poſſeſſed by the Subſcriber, from whom the Terms may be known.

John Hyndman.

York, *July* 1, 1752.

To be Let, and enter'd on immediately,

THE Dwelling Houſe lately belonging to Mr. *William Montgomery*, in *York* Town, with a good Garden, Kitchen, Stable, and other Out-houſes, conveniently ſituated. For the Terms enquire of

John Norton.

To be SOLD,

TWO Thouſand Three Hundred Acres of Land, lying on the South Side of *Roanoke* one Mile upon the River, the reſt choice high Lands and low Grounds on *Beaver-Pond* Branch and *Buckhorn*, with fine Meadows adjoining the Country Line; alſo about 2000 Acres, two Miles above the former, lying two Miles and a Half on the River, 100 Acres excepted, conſiſting of as good low and high Land as any in the County of *Lunenburg*, where both Tracts lie, about 90 Miles from Market as the Road now goes; alſo an Iſland, containing 140 Acres, lying oppoſite to the *Indian-Field*'s Quarter, belonging to *William Byrd*, Eſq; and the Quarter on *Robert Munford*, Junior's Land, as good as either in Quality, and lies much higher. Whoever is inclinable to purchaſe, may enquire of Col. *Richard Bland* for the Terms. Alſo a Plantation, known by the Name of *Whitehall*, where the late Capt. *Munford* lived on *Appamattox* River, beautifully ſituated, with commodious Buildings, conſiſting of a Dwelling-houſe, with two Rooms above, two below, and a 10 Feet Paſſage, a Houſe with two Rooms above and two below, with a Cellar under it, a Kitchen with a Cloſet and a Room up Stairs, a Dairy with a Stone Floor, a Meat and a Smoak-houſe, a large Store with two Rooms above and below; another Store-houſe and Salt-houſe, with a Room the Length of both above, two Stables with a Coach-houſe, the Floor above running the Length of the whole, two Warehouſes where an Inſpection was formerly kept; another Store about 500 Yards from the lower one, with a neat plaiſtered Room at the End, and a Shed the whole Length, a large Barn and a large Tobacco Houſe, with a Shed; alſo, on the ſame Tract, a Quarter about a Mile from the River, with extenſive Orchards of fine Fruit Trees on both Places: The laſt mentioned Tract, either to be rented or Sold, as can be agreed on between the Tenant or Purchaſer and

Prince-George, *July* 1, 1752. *George Currie.*

May 4th, 1752.

RAN away from the Subſcriber in *Lancaſter* County, a Convict Servant, named *Sarah Knox*, of middle Size, a ſwarthy Complexion and has a ſhort Noſe, talks broad, and ſays ſhe was born in *Yorkſhire*, had been in the Army for ſeveral Years, with the Camp in *Flanders*, and at the Battle of *Culloden*, where ſhe loſt her Huſband; ſhe had on when ſhe went away, a Woman's black Hat, an old red Silk Handkerchief round her Neck, an old dirty blue Stuff Gown, with check Linen Cuffs, old Stays, a black and white ſtrip'd Country Cloth Petticoat, an old blue quilted ditto, a check Linen Apron, and a brown Linen Shift. She may go by the Name of *Sarah Howard*, *Wilſon*, or ſomething elſe, pretend to be a dancing Miſtreſs, will make a great many Courteſies, and is a very deceitful inſinuating Woman, and a great Lyar. Whoever apprehends and conveys her to me ſhall have a Piſtole Reward beſides what the Law allows, or if any Perſon find her qualified to teach Dancing, or to ſerve in any other Way he may purchaſe between 5 and 6 Years Service of her at fifteen Pounds Currency, from

David Currie,

TAKEN up by the Subſcriber, living in *York* County, a Bay Horſe, about four Feet and a Half high, with a Star in his Forehead, and branded on the near Buttock with three Dots, and has ſome Marks as if he had been uſed to a Draught. The Owner may have him of me, on proving his Property.

John Wormeley.

TAKEN up by the Subſcriber, living in *Iſle of Wight* County, near the Court-houſe, a ſmall Clay colour'd grey Horſe, about 13 Hands high, branded on the near Buttock with a Figure of 8, has a hanging Mane and Switch Tail, paces well, and has good Courage. He has been valued according to Law. The Owner may have him on proving his Property, and paying Charges.

Henry Lightfoot.

STRAY'D from the Subſcriber, living in *Powhatan*, about the latter End of *July* laſt, a large Bay Mare, about 14 Hands high, with a long Switch Tail, branded on the near Shoulder D, and on the near Buttock M. Whoever will bring her to me, ſhall have Two Piſtoles Reward.

Joſiah Chewning.

CAME to the Subſcriber's Plantation, in *Hanover* County, in *September* laſt, a large black Steer, mark'd with a Crop in the right Ear, and an Underkeel in the left. The Owner may have him of me, on proving his Property, and paying as the Law directs.

j. j. f. *Page Blunt.*

Middleſex County, *June* 10, 1752.

RAN away, laſt Night, from the Subſcriber, a white Servant Man, named *John Johnſon*, a Ploughman, and pretends to underſtand Malting and Brickmaking; he is about 5 Feet 6 Inches high, and took with him a dark colour'd Cloth Coat, a lapell'd Fuſtian Coat lined with brown Holland, a brown Allopeen Waſtecoat lined with Blue, a white Kerſey ditto, two Oznabrigs Shirts, and one white ditto, a Pair of Fuſtian Breeches with white Metal Buttons, two Pair of Oznabrigs Trouſers, a brown Wig, a Caſtor Hat, a Pair of *Virginia* Yarn Stockings, and Shoes.

Alſo a Mulatto Man, named *Syphax*, he was lately bought of Mr. *Henry Ennalls*, Jun. of *Dorcheſter* County, in *Maryland*, by Trade a Blackſmith; he is a likely briſk young Fellow, the fore Part of his Head ſhaved, and the back Part long Wool; he took with him a brown Cloth Coat and Waſtecoat, the Coat has two Patches on the left Side of the Back, ſewed in with white Thread, a Pair of ſtrip'd *Virginia*-Cloth Breeches, ſome brown Linen Shirts, and one white ditto, a Hat, Shoes and Stockings. They took a Gun with them. Whoever will apprehend and convey the ſaid Runaways no me, ſhall have Ten Piſtoles Reward, beſides what the Law allows.

N. B. If they ſhould be taken ſeparate, Two Piſtoles for the white Man, and Eight for the Mulatto. t. f. *Armiſtead Churchill.*

AS the Subſcriber is determined to go home for *England* ſhortly, he gives this timely Notice thereof; and deſires all Perſons who are indebted to him, to ſettle their Accounts by the 15th Day of *July* next, to enable him to ſettle his Affairs; thoſe who fail may depend on being ſued without further Notice: Likewiſe, there will be ſold, in *York* Town, at publick Auction (or privately) on the 20th Inſtant, ſundry *European* Goods, and ſome Houſhold Furniture. Six Months Credit will be allow'd, on giving Bond and Security. There is to be let or leas'd, three good Dwelling-Houſes, and Gardens to each, and a Paſture of four Lots well pail'd in, and in good Order. The Terms may be known by applying to me in *York* Town.

t. f. *Reginald Orton.*

TO be SOLD, at *Weſtmoreland* Court-Houſe, on the laſt *Tueſday* in *July*, Thirty Thouſand Weight of Transfer Tobacco, by

George Lee,
John Buſhrode, } Churchwardens of *Cople* Pariſh.

To be SOLD, on reaſonable Terms,

ELEVEN Hundred Acres of choice Land, in *King-William* County, about a Mile from *Pamunkey* River, with a large Dwelling-Houſe, under-pin'd with Brick, and Brick Chimneys, and all other convenient Houſes, moſt of them lately built. Any Perſon inclineable to purchaſe the Whole, or any Part, may know the Terms by applying to the Subſcriber, who lives near the Premiſſes.

Philip Claiborne.

N. B. The Plantation to be delivered up the Middle of *November* next, and large Credit will be allowed for a great Part of the Money.

t. f. *Philip Claiborne.*

To be SOLD,

A TRACT of Land, lying in *Hanover* County, about 18 Miles from *Page*'s Warehouſe, containing about 1000 Acres, more or leſs: There are three Plantations on the ſaid Land, with very good Buildings. The Terms may be known, by applying to the Subſcriber, on the Premiſſes.

t. f. *John Winn.*

To be SOLD,

A TRACT of Land, lying in *James-City* County, within 2 Miles of *Fornea*'s Ordinary, containing One Thouſand Six Hundred Acres. Any Perſon inclinable to purchaſe it, may know the Terms by applying to the Subſcriber, living in *King-William* County. t. f. *Thomas Chamberlayne.*

Stafford County, *March* 2, 1752.

AS I have near 30,000 Acres of extraordinary good freſh Land, in *Fairfax* and *Prince William*, which I would willingly rent out to honeſt Tenants, I have impowered Mr. *John Weſt*, jun. at the Town of *Alexandria* (or *Belhaven*) in *Fairfax*, to ſhew the Lands and agree on the Terms, with ſuch Perſons as apply to him to rent the ſame, for three Lives, or 21 Years, and hereby engage myſelf, and my Heirs, to perform whatever Agreements he enters into on that Account.

t. f. *John Mercer.*

To be SOLD, by the Subſcriber, living in Prince George *County, on the Premiſſes, on the ſecond* Monday *in* Auguſt *next, to the higheſt Bidder, for ready Money,*

FOURTEEN Hundred Acres of Land, containing both valuable high and low Grounds affords good Water, good Paſturage, and is well-timbered with large Oak, Pine and Poplar, whereon are three good Plantations, in good Order for Cropping; and the Manor Plantation is a very handſome Situation, with the following Conveniencies, *viz.* One Dwelling-houſe, 38 by 25, containing 4 Rooms aud 4 Cloſets, with two Brick Chimneys, plaiſter'd and White-waſh'd; alſo another Dwelling-houſe, 38 by 18, with a Stack of Chimnies in the Middle, two Rooms on a Floor, and a large Cloſet, plaiſtered and white-waſh'd, a good Dairy, Meat-houſe, Smoak-houſe, Kitchen, Quarter, Spinning-houſe, with a Brick Chimney, one 40 and one 32 Feet Tobacco Houſes, a large well-fix'd Store, with ſeveral other convenient Houſes and Orchards; and on each of the other Plantations are two 32 Feet Tobacco Houſes, an Overſeer's Houſe, and Negroe Quarters; likewiſe Orchards, and good Water.

21 *Thomas Eldridge.*

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